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In re Patent Application of: Terry M. TURPIN et al.

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For: WAVELENGTH DIVISION MULTIPLEXING

ADD-DROP MULTIPLEXER USING AN

OPTICAL TAPPED DELAY LINE

Examiner: C. Y. Leung

AMENDMENT UNDER 37 CFR 1.111

MS Amendment Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

INTRODUCTORY COMMENTS

This is in response to the non-final Office Action dated December 20, 2004, time for response to which has been extended by petition to May 20, 2004. Reconsideration and allowance of the pending claims, as amended, in light of the remarks presented herein are respectfully requested.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 4 of this paper.